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CUYAMA SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NOW AT HALFWAY POINT

SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY – A project to improve the existing pavement on a portion of Hwy. 166 in New Cuyama is now 50% complete. The “Cuyama Rehabilitation Project” includes a widening of the traffic lanes to 12 feet and the shoulders to four feet.

When completed next spring, this project will include new left turn lanes at New Cuyama High School and New Cuyama Elementary School. The Branch Canyon and Salisbury Canyon Bridges will also be widened.

The paving operation is scheduled during the **overnight hours** Sundays through Fridays from 9 pm to 6 am until mid-September. Daytime lane closures are scheduled Monday through Thursday from 6 am to 5 pm. Motorists can expect a delay not to exceed 10 minutes. No lane closures are scheduled on weekends.

The contractor for this \$17 million project is Granite Construction of Watsonville, CA.

For traffic updates on other state highway projects in San Luis Obispo County, the public can call Caltrans District 5 at 805-549-3318 or visit the District 5 website at:

<http://dot.ca.gov/dist05/maint/road/upsb.htm>

